Introduced by Senator Lara

February 22, 2013

An act to add Section 60053 to the Education Code, relating to instructional materials.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 682, as amended, Lara. Instructional materials: electronic copies digital versions.

Existing law requires the State Board of Education and the governing board of each school district maintaining one or more high schools to adopt instructional materials for use in kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive, and high schools, respectively. Existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district to include relevant technology-based materials when adopting instructional materials for use in schools, if the materials are both available and comparable to other equivalent instructional materials.

This bill would authorize the governing board of a school district to provide an electronic copy a digital version of an adopted instructional material to a pupil that may be downloaded onto the pupil's personal electronic tablet or other electronic device, and would provide that a pupil shall not be required to relinquish the electronic copy of the adopted instructional material at the completion of the course for which it was provided an electronic device. The bill would provide that during the school year digital versions of an adopted instructional material may be provided to pupils in compliance with a specified court case settlement agreement. The bill, notwithstanding any other law, would provide that at the end of the school year digital versions of an adopted

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instructional material supplied to pupils may be treated as surplus property and retained by those pupils.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 60053 is added to the Education Code, 2 to read:
- 3 60053. (a) The governing board of a school district may provide an electronic copy a digital version of an adopted instructional material to a pupil that may be downloaded onto the pupil's personal electronic tablet or other an electronic device.
- 7 The pupil shall not be required to relinquish the electronic copy
 8 of the adopted instructional material at the completion of the course
 9 for which it was provided.
- 10 (b) During the school year, digital versions of an adopted 11 instructional material may be provided to pupils in compliance 12 with the settlement agreement in the case of Williams v. State of 13 California (Case Number CGC-00-312236, of the Superior Court 14 for the County of San Francisco). Notwithstanding any other law,
- 15 at the end of the school year, digital versions of an adopted
- 16 instructional material supplied to pupils pursuant to this section
- 17 may be treated as surplus property and retained by those pupils.